

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Dr. John Kipp Fort Bliss Directorate of Public Works Attention: IMBL-PWE (Kipp) Building 624 Pleasonton Road Fort Bliss, Texas 79916

RE: Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Implementation of Energy, Water, and Solid Waste Sustainability Initiatives at Fort Bliss, Texas and New Mexico

In accordance with our responsibilities under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act (CAA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for implementing NEPA, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 office in Dallas, Texas, has completed its review of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Implementation of Energy, Water, and Solid Waste Sustainability Initiatives (Net Zero) at Fort Bliss, Texas and New Mexico prepared by the United States Army (Army).

EPA Region 6 provided comments on the Draft EIS (DEIS) dated June 28, 2013. EPA rated the DEIS as "EC-2" i.e., EPA has "environmental concerns and requests additional information". EPA is pleased the FEIS includes additional analysis of the proposed action to address our concerns. We have no additional comments and look forward to the receipt of the Record of Decision.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the FEIS. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Keith Hayden, of my staff, at (214) 665-2133 or via e-mail at hayden.keith@epa.gov.

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Sincerely.

Acting Associate Director, Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division